



National Weather Service

Storm Data and Unusual Weather Phenomena



March 2002

Location	Date	Time Local/ Standard	Path Length (Miles)	Path Width (Yards)	Killed	Number of Persons Injured	Estimated Damage Property	Estimated Damage Crops	Character of Storm
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ILLINOIS, Central

ILZ027>031-036>037-040>041 **Knox - Stark - Peoria - Marshall - Woodford - Fulton - Tazewell - Schuyler - Mason**

01	1700CST	0	0		Heavy Snow
03	0000CST				

Snowfall totals of 6 to 8 inches were measured in the central Illinois counties along and west of the Illinois River from early in the evening on the 1st through the 2nd. Strong northwest winds, with gusts approaching 40 mph produced significant blowing and drifting snow. Most roads were snow and ice covered, with numerous traffic accidents reported.

McLean County

Danvers **08** **0526CST** **0** **0** **0** **Hail(0.75)**

ILZ027-030>031-037>038-042-045-051-053-055>056-061-068-073 **Knox - Marshall - Woodford - Tazewell - Mclean - Logan - Champaign - Sangamon - Macon - Douglas - Coles - Shelby - Crawford - Lawrence**

09	0200CST	0	2		High Wind (G76)^M
	1700CST				

High, gradient winds of 40 to 50 mph developed in central and southeast Illinois early in the morning of the 9th. A measured gust of 87 mph was reported by an observer in Arcola, in Douglas county. Other measured gusts included 65 mph in Galesburg (Knox county), 62 mph in Tremont (Tazewell county), 61 mph in Oblong (Crawford county) and 58 mph at the NWS office in Lincoln (Logan county). The high winds were responsible for blowing a pickup truck off of I-39 in eastern Marshall county, resulting in 2 injuries. There were numerous reports of downed power poles, power lines, and trees. There were also several reports of minor damage to roofs and storage sheds.

Knox County

Galesburg to 2.4 SSE Rio **09** **0315CST** **1** **0** **0** **Thunderstorm Wind (G50)**

As a severe thunderstorm moved northeast across Knox County, it blew down several trees and power lines. Also, 2.4 miles south southeast of Rio on IL Route 150 at 2500 N, the thunderstorm winds caused a woman to lose control of her car. She slid sideways and struck a utility pole. She was killed in the crash. No other injuries or deaths were reported.

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ILZ029-031-036>038-045 **Peoria - Woodford - Fulton - Tazewell - Mclean - Champaign**

25	0500CST	0	0		Winter Storm
	1200CST				

Snowfall totals of 2 to 4 inches, along with significant blowing and drifting snow, created near whiteout conditions in Peoria, Woodford, northern Tazewell and northwest McLean counties the morning of the 25th. Numerous accidents occurred as a result of the snow covered roads and decreased visibility. Northern parts of Fulton county reported one-half inch of sleet, mixed with freezing rain. Ice accumulations around one-quarter inch were observed at the ASOS in Champaign.

ILZ044>046-051>057-061>063 **Piatt - Champaign - Vermilion - Sangamon - Christian - Macon - Moultrie - Douglas - Coles - Edgar - Shelby - Cumberland - Clark**

25	2100CST	0	0		Winter Storm
26	0900CST				

Freezing rain late in the evening of the 25th into the early morning hours of the 26th produced one-quarter to one-half inch of ice in the counties between I-72 and I-70. The freezing rain changed to sleet, then snow before daybreak. Snowfall amounts ranging from 4 to 7 inches, with significant blowing and drifting, occurred along a line from Pana through Monticello to Danville. The combination of ice and snow resulted in downed power lines and tree limbs, along with dozens of traffic accidents the morning of the 26th.